Whereas, it is with great pride and sincere admiration that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives honor treasured residents of the Show-Me State who have experienced the joys and blessings of a prosperous marriage; and

Whereas, sixty years ago on August 31, 1947, Ernest Burton took the hand of his beautiful bride, Marie Robertson, as they began their commitment to a lifetime of shared love and devotion by exchanging wedding vows during a solemn ceremony officiated by Homer Burton, father of the groom, at the Methodist Church in Eolia, Missouri; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Ernest and Marie Burton have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include one son and daughter-in-law, Paul and Linda Burton; two grandchildren and their spouses, Jeremiah and Roxanne Burton and Michelle and John Walsh; and two great-grandchildren, Riley Walsh and Christian Walsh; and

Whereas, Ernest Burton is known as a dedicated family man who generously provided his loved ones with a comfortable home and secure future through his successful thirty-one-year endeavor with Hercules, Incorporated; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and outstanding homemaker, Marie Burton has further distinguished herself by being a former employee of the Louisiana A&P, a former employee of Rexall Drugs, and the former owner and operator of Marie's Gifts and Pets; and

Whereas, Ernest and Marie Burton derive a tremendous amount of spiritual fulfillment through their affiliation with Praying Hands Church in Kinderhook, Illinois, a place of worship that has special meaning to them as cherished members; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Burton, residents of Louisiana, commemorated the glorious occasion of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary with a special celebration on June 2, 2007:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Ernest and Marie Burton for their tremendous success in achieving sixty years of wedded bliss and in wishing them many happy and rewarding years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Burton, as a measure of the tremendous esteem in which we hold them.

Offered by	
-	Representative Terry L. Witte
	District No. 10

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4050, adopted June 14, 2007.